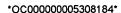


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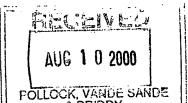
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Sir:

In response to the **NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION- FILING DATE GRANTED** dated August 9, 2000, Applicant submits herewith the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

- 1. Copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts;
- 2. Original executed Declaration;
- 3. Our check for \$820.00 covering:

\$690.00 - Base Filing Fee,

\$130.00 - Surcharge for late filing of Declaration, and

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any insufficient fees, including any fees required under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 or 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 22-0185. A duplicate copy of this authorization is also attached.

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